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1. JAPANESE EMBASSY HEAD OF CHANCERY YOJI SUGIYAMA TOLD COMATT THAT DFA PRESENTED ON SEPTEMBER 13 PHILIPPINE DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO THE TREATY OF AMITY, COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION. JAPANESE HAVE ASKED FOR SOME CLARIFICATION BUT HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY ANSWER YET. IN MEANTIME, GOJ IS STILL STUDYING THE AMENDMENTS AND BELIEVES IT WILL HAVE TO REACT TO THE PHILIPPINES WITHIN A MONTH'S TIME.

2. MAIN AMENDMENTS CONCERN THE SHIPPING ARTICLES ("TAKING OUT ALL THE BEAUTIFUL LANGUAGE"), A NEW ARTICLE OBLIGING THE GOJ TO GRANT GSP TREATMENT TO PHILIPPINE EXPORTS ("DIFFICULT TO ACCEPT, SINCE THE GSP IS A UNILATERAL CONCESSION"), AND A WAIVER OR EXCLUSION OF THE TREATY PROVISIONS ON BEHALF OF ASEAN.

3. THE MOST INTERESTING POINT REGARDING SHIPPING IS
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THE INSERTION OF A NEW PROVISION PROVIDING THAT EACH

COUNTRY SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO "EQUAL SHARES" TO
THE CARRIAGE OF TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THIS
PROVISION IS A DIRECT LIFTING OF THE POLICY IN P.D. 806
WHICH OVERTURNED P.D. 667 AND WHICH WAS REAFFIRMED IN
P.D. 962 (MANILA 11252 AND 11239).
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